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PRECISION FARMING TECHNIQUES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any programme to introduce precision farming techniques for increasing agricultural production by the Southern States of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the areas identified therefor; and

(c) if not, the time by which such techniques are likely to be made operational and the modalities drawn in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS,FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA):

(a) to (c) The Government has set up Precision Farming Development Centre (PFDC) in different parts of the country including the Southern States for developing precision farming techniques and its dissemination through training and demonstrations. The PFDCs are located at the following places in the Southern States:

1. Acharya N.G. Ranga Agricultural University, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh

2. Kerala Agricultural University, Tavanur, Kerala

3. Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore

4. University of Agricultural Sciences